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- 1. The following high ranking officers of the Bulgarian Air Force were returned to reserve status effective 26 November 1947:
 - (a) Colonel Petar Sapunov, former Chief of the Zone of the Interior. He was formerly anti-Communist but just before 9 September established connections with the partisans to protect himself.
 - (b) Co.onel Mikolai Mitev, former Chief of Staff (Chief of Organization of the Staff). He is not a member of any political party or group.
 - (c) Lt. Colonel Donevsky, former Chief of Battle Training for Pilots.
 Until two months ago he was Chief of Air Force Intelligence and
 prior to that time he was Chief of Operations. He was a Staff Officer,
 a graduate of the Army War College, and one of the best Bulgarian
 fliers. He was decorated in the war against the Germans for bravery.
 - (d) Major Yanakiev, former Chief of the Foreign Intelligence Section. His previous assignments were as Chief of the Educational Section and as Chief of Publications. He has a good command of French and was the only staff officer with a knowledge of English.

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